NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS (NOI/RROF)

January 31, 2023

Mahoning County, Board of Commissioners Mahoning County Healthy Homes & Lead Hazard Control Program 108 Westchester Dr. Youngstown OH 44515 330-740-2124

To All Interested Persons, Agencies, and Groups:

On or about, but not before, February 8, 2023 the Mahoning County Commissioners will submit a request to the State of Ohio for the release of Federal funds under Section 104 (g) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended; Section 288 of Title II of the Cranston Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act (NAHA), as amended; and/or Title IV of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, as amended; to be used for the following project(s):

The Mahoning County Commissioners will administer the Community Housing Impact and Preservation Program (CHIP); Project activities and Source of Federal Funds include; Private-owner Rehabilitation HOME (\$580,000.00) coupled with Program Income/Matching funds (\$102,574.00) and; Owner Repair Program (CDBG) (\$250,000.00) and; Ohio Housing Trust Fund (OHTF) \$50.000.00; and program income from the partnership totaling \$102,574.00. Purpose of the Project: To provide home rehabilitation and repairs to low- and moderate-income households as well as Tenant Based Rental Assistance; The CHIP program will be carried out with a 30 month period of performance within Mahoning County but not within the city of Youngstown at an estimated total cost: \$1,102,574,00.

The activities proposed are categorically excluded under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy act (NEPA) requirements. Mahoning County has prepared an Environmental Review Record (ERR) for each of the projects listed above. The Environmental Review Records (ERR) are on file and available for the public's examination on the Mahoning County website on the Healthy Homes Program page located at https://www.mahoningcountyoh.gov/503/Healthy-Homes-Lead-Hazard-Control; or the ERR may be examined or copied, in person, at the Mahoning County Healthy Homes & Lead Hazard Control Program office located at 108 Westchester Drive Youngstown Ohio 44515; or may be requested to be sent by U.S. Mail by calling the 330-740-2124 extension 7174 and leaving your name and full address, City and State, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (except holidays)between February 1, 2023 and February 7, 2023; or the ERR may be requested by emailing your request to ppuryear@mahoningcountyoh.gov

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Mahoning County Healthy Homes & Lead Hazard Control Program, 108 Westchester Dr., Youngstown OH 44515 by U.S. mail or by email at ppuryear@mahoningcountyoh.gov. All comments received before February 8, 2023 will be considered by Mahoning County prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The Mahoning County certifies to the State of Ohio that David C. Ditzler, in his capacity as President of County Commissioners, consents to accept the jurisdiction of Federal courts if an action is brought to

enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The State of Ohio's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows Mahoning County to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The State of Ohio will accept objections to its release of funds and Mahoning County's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of Mahoning County; (b) Mahoning County has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by the State of Ohio; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to Ohio Development Services Agency, Office of Community Development at OCD@development.ohio.gov. Potential objectors should contact the State of Ohio to verify the actual last day of the objection period. Written objections must meet the conditions and procedures set forth in subpart H of 24 CFR Part 58, and be addressed to: State of Ohio Development Services Agency; Office of Community Development; Environmental Officer; P. O. Box 1001; Columbus, Ohio 43216-1001.

The address of the certifying officer is:

David C. Ditzler, President, Board of Commissioners Mahoning County 21 W. Boardman St, Youngstown, Ohio 44503

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